3/22/4

PTO/SB/08a/b (08-03)
Approved for use through 07/31/2008. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE spond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control in uniter

Substitute for form 1449A/B/PTO				Complete if Known			
				Application Number	NEW APPLICATION		
IN	<b>IFORMATION</b>	N DI	SCLOSURE	Filing Date	Concurrently Herewith		
S	TATEMENT!	BY A	APPLICANT	First Named Inventor	Kazuhito MATSUDA		
				Art Unit	N/A 1709		
	(Use as many sheets as necessary)			Examiner Name	Not Yet Assigned Maria Laio		
Sheet	1	of	1	Attorney Docket Number	TOW-067		

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Document Number  Number-Kind Code <sup>2</sup> ( <i>if known</i> )	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY		Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Foreign Patent Document  Country Code <sup>3</sup> -Number <sup>4</sup> -Kind Code <sup>8</sup> (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Wh Passa	es, Columns, Lines, ere Relevant ges or Relevant ures Appear	T <sub>0</sub>
MI	A1	JP-05-253436	10-05-1993	Mitsui Eng & Shipbuild Co Ltd		\	Abs
ML	A2	JP-07-187606	07-25-1995	Toyo Eng Corp		<del>/                                    </del>	Abs
	A3	JP-08-225302	09-03-1996	Mitsubishi Kakoki Kaisha Ltd			Abs
ML	A4	JP-2000-313605	11-14-2000	Tokyo Gas Co Ltd, Tokyo Gas Chemicals Co Ltd, Mitsubishi Kakoki Kaisha Ltd		l	Abs
ML	A5	JP-2002-068708	03-08-2002	Fuji Electric Co. Ltd, Osaka Gas Co. Ltd.			Abs

<sup>\*</sup>EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at <a href="https://www.uspto.gov">www.uspto.gov</a> or MPEP 901.04. Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T <sup>2</sup>		

<sup>\*</sup>EXAMINER: tritial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

Examiner I		Date
	/Maria Laios/ (02/02/2007)	Date
Signature	/Maria Laios/ (02/02/2007)	Considered
Orginator C		Considered

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). <sup>2</sup>Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.